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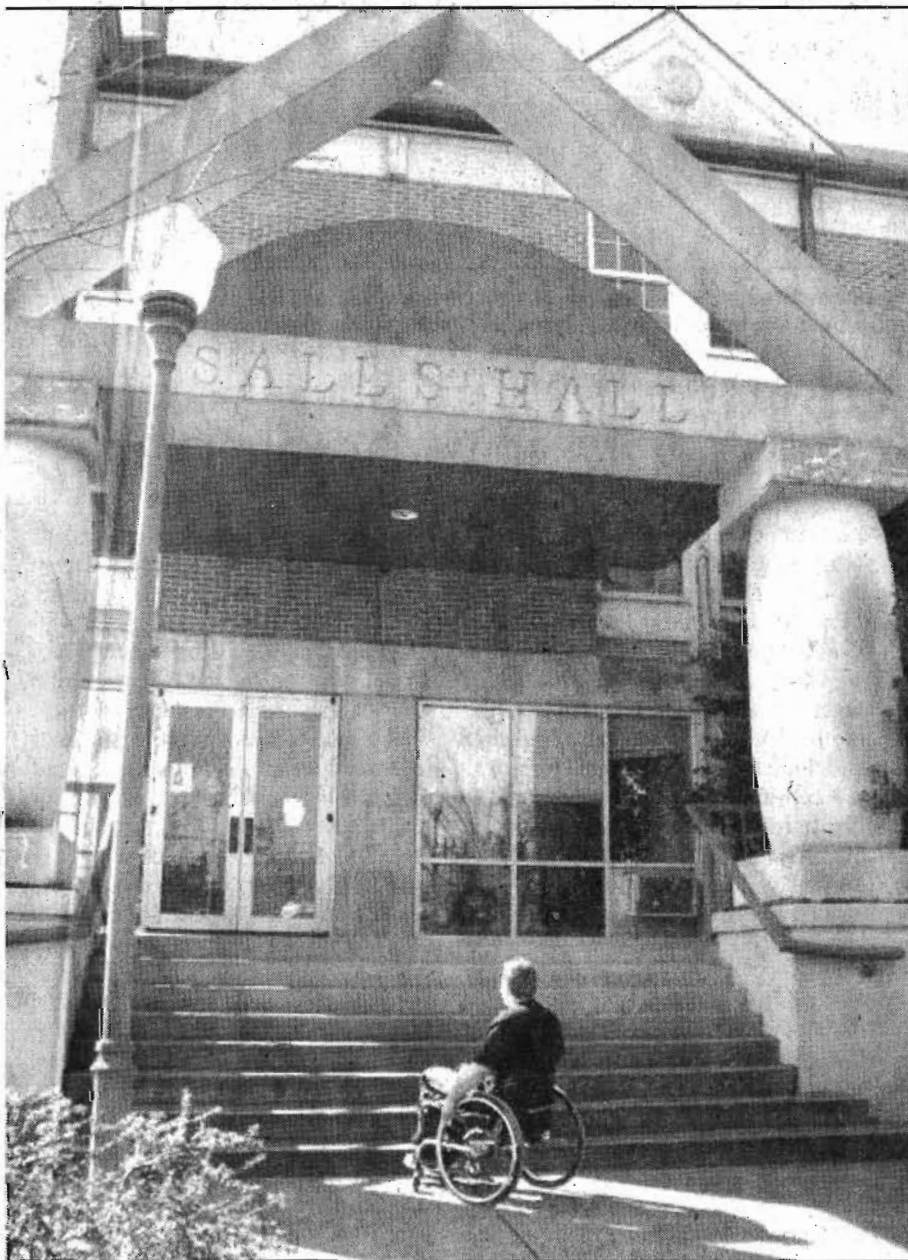
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Isaac Godwin eyes the entrance to Salls hall which is one of a handful of buildings across campus that is not accessible to wheelchairs. Photo by Kira Reeves / The Chanticleer

Access denied

Students and staff struggle with JSU's lack of accessibility in some buildings

By Kira Reeves
Staff Writer

On a cold January day, Jacksonville State University's President Dr. William Meehan, sat in his office, sipping ice water and getting all the facts straight. Except for one. "Oh," he said, after calling a police officer at Salls hall, "There is not an elevator in the Police Department. I thought there was."

Jacksonville State University student Isaac Godwin's Toyota Camry quietly makes its way towards the Police Department. It's the fall of 2009 as Godwin pulls himself out of the Camry one leg at a time and then plops into a wheelchair. "The chair is only five years old," he said. The May 2004 accident was one of the first major roadblocks in Godwin's life. Now, Godwin is one of several students struggling with a lack of accessibility in buildings such as Salls hall.

Godwin said he can remember walking up steps, steps leading into places once accessible to him. Spinning beneath his hands the wheels suddenly roll into the bottom step at Salls Hall and Godwin looks up. As students begin walking the stairs into the Police Department at Jacksonville State University, Isaac Godwin faces another obstacle in life: accessibility.

"241 disabled students attend Jacksonville State University. Isaac Godwin is one of them," said Julie Nix, Director of Disability Support Services at the JSU. "Five have limited mobility or orthopedic impairment. Our budget will not support

changes across campus."

Nix knows the challenges DSS faces. DSS sits ready to reassure students with disabilities of their mission: To provide appropriate and reasonable accommodations for students with documented disabilities.

Don Killingsworth is the Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance Coordinator at JSU. It's his job to apply for funding. "Disability Support Services notifies me if there is a need," Killingsworth said. "I look at what grants are available and apply."

President Meehan remembers Salls hall. "It was once an athletic dormitory," he said. In the late 80's the NCAA declared it preferential treatment to house athletes there." It now houses the University Police Department on the main level, and the English Language Institute on the third floor. Only steps guide students in and out of Salls Hall. "On the ground level there is an entrance where students in wheelchairs can enter. They can press a button and an officer will come down to help them," said Meehan.

Foreign students with disabilities trying to access the English Language Institute on the third floor could have a problem. "Salls Hall needs to be accessible to disabled students," Killingsworth said.

Dr. Meehan said Jacksonville State University is known for accommodating disabled students. "Heather Whitestone, who later became Miss America, chose us for a reason," Meehan said. "We have always been in tune to the needs of disabled

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NY Times columnist to speak at Cole library

From newswire

Jacksonville State University and the Girl Scouts of North-Central Alabama invite the public to hear guest lecturer Gail Collins, New York Times editorial page editor, columnist and author of books on women's issues, on Thursday, April 1 at 9 a.m. on the eleventh floor of Houston Cole Library at JSU.

Ms. Collins joined The New York Times in 1995 as a member of the editorial board and later as an Op-Ed columnist. In 2001 she became the first woman ever appointed editor of the Times editorial page. At the beginning of 2007, she stepped down and took leave in order to finish her new book: "When Everything Changed: The Amazing Journey of American Women from 1960 to the Present." She returned to the Times as a columnist in July 2007.

Before joining the Times, Ms. Collins was a columnist at New York Newsday and the New York Daily News, and a reporter for United Press International. Her first jobs in journalism were in Connecticut, where she founded the Connecticut State News Bureau, which provided coverage of the state capitol and Connecticut politics. When she sold it in 1977,



the CSNB was the largest news service of its kind in the country, with more than 30 weekly and daily newspaper chains.

Besides "When Everything Changed," which was published in October of 2009 by Little, Brown, Ms. Collins is the author of "America's Women," "Scorpion Tongues: Gossip, Celebrity and American Politics," and "The Millennium Book," which she co-authored with her husband, Dan Collins.

Admission to the April 1 lecture is free.

For more information, contact the JSU Office of Public Relations at (256) 782-5636.

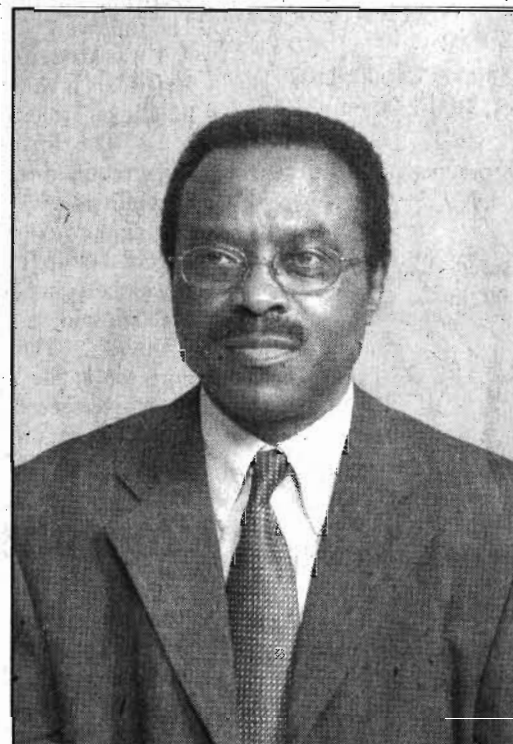
Comm dept head invited back to Oxford University

From Staff Reports

For the second year, Dr. Kingsley O. Harbor, head of the Department of Communication has been invited by Oxford University in England to serve as a member of its Oxford Round Table and to present a paper on media ethics. Each year Oxford University, through various processes, selects invitees from across the world and across disciplines to assemble on its campus to discuss issues of vital, global importance.

Dr. Harbor is honored and humbled to accept the invitation again for the 2010 academic year.

Dr. Harbor is interested in finding ways of restoring ethics to the mass media. In his 2009 Oxford paper titled, "Postmodernism and the Decline of Ethics in the Mass Media," he proposed a comprehensive model for restoring ethics in the media, and follows it up this year with



phase II of that study. Phase II, titled "Curricular Revision and Entry Placement: Cornerstones of an Ethics Model for Moral Restoration in the Mass Media," looks at possible changes in Journalism and Mass Communication curricula that may effectuate moral

restoration. Central to his model are Kohlberg's theory of moral development and Patterson and Wilkins's Ethical News-values, both of which, he believes, have great potential.

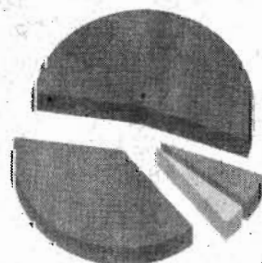
According to Harbor, benefits of the Round Table include both scholarship and pedagogy. The global and interdisciplinary nature of the Round Table provides tremendous exposure and learning across disciplines. "It feeds me, especially as an ethics instructor, with lots of good information to transfer to my students in the classroom." Today,

world events, such as the global financial crises, remind us, in no uncertain term, that ethics is no longer someone else's problem, it is everyone's problem—all of us; and if we can find ways of solving them, everyone wins," says Harbor.

QUESTION of the WEEK

What issue is the most important to students at JSU?

Tuition- 52%
Parking- 40%
Transportation- 3%
Other- 5%



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Next week's question:

What would get you to walk to class?

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ON Campus

Briefs

• Saturday April 3, the International Student Organization will be hosting the International Tasters Fair at Leone Cole Auditorium; it will be followed by a talent show and a fashion show. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy international cuisine. The event starts at 4:30 p.m.

• Candidates vying to become Alabama's next governor will gather at Jacksonville State University's Leone Cole Auditorium on April 20 at 5 p.m. for a round-robin forum. The event, co-sponsored by Farmers Insurance and JSU, is open to the public and the first of its kind to be televised throughout the State of Alabama.

"Farmers is proud to be a co-sponsor of the Governors' Forum with Jacksonville State University. The future of Alabama will be in the hands of one of these candidates, and we are happy that the students and the public will get to hear each of their views on the needs of our state," notes Farmers Insurance Alabama State Executive Director, Christopher Simich.

This sentiment is echoed by Jacksonville State University president, Dr. William A. Meehan who said, "JSU is excited to partner with Farmers Insurance to bring this important forum to our campus and encourage participation in the American political process."

Campus Crime

March 5

- Harassment was reported

March 8

- Domestic violence in third degree was reported in Sparkman Hall

March 9

- Damarcus A. Benson was arrested for theft of services

What's Happening

Does your club or organization have an upcoming event you would like publicized?

Send your events to The Chanticleer!

Picture of the week



Artist Lee Law works on a painting as customers at Quintard mall look on. Law painted the piece live and is offering sections of it for sale. If you would like to submit your photo for "Photo of the week", email it to chantyeditor@gmail.com Photo courtesy Lee Law.

Access: five students in wheelchairs

students."

In the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. resides the agency that protects disabled individuals from discrimination. There Earlene Sesker works for the U.S. Access Board, a federal agency which writes architectural specifications for new construction projects and renovations.

Sesker rummaged through data, during an interview, via phone. "Okay, in 1991 the Americans with Disabilities Act was passed. It's a law that specifies architectural guidelines. It is also a civil rights law that ensures protection of individuals with disabilities. It's the full gamut," Sesker said. The essence of it is this: Any building constructed after 1991 must be ADA compliant. If a pre-1991 building was renovated and it's not historical, it must be updated to accommodate those with disabilities.

Standing in front of the Houston Cole Library on its eastern side, Julie Nix can see two ramps. One ramp is behind the air conditioner enclosure. It zig-zags down into steps. The other ramp is in front of the parking lot, and leads into a maze until it stops short of the library entrance. "When you're

I have been working here for several years and not one person has ever brought this up," Thompson said. "The library's ramps are confusing. I ordered a sign for each ramp." One sign tells handicap or wheelchair bound visitors not to go down the ramp with stairs at the end. The other sign indicates the accessible ramp.

According to Kim Presson of Institutional Research and Assessment at JSU, "8,752 students attend the university," said Presson.

"Only five are wheelchair handicapped," said Nix.

Rolling down the ramp, Isaac Godwin's wheelchair stops short of the steps. "If I had not been looking I would have rolled off the end and fell out of my chair," said Godwin. "I like going to the library, but the ramps are confusing and there are no signs. Even people who are not students go to the library."

In January, workers were hammering away at what was soon to be the new elevator at Bibb Graves Hall. The building has never had one. It is JSU's iconic theme structure. Clint Carlson from JSU's Administrative and Business Affairs office estimated the project to cost \$387,000. "The

not I feel like it's discrimination. It's 2010. I hope they put (an elevator) in at Salls Hall or a ramp or something," said Godwin.

Erected in 1929, Bibb Graves gives a welcome to new students. Bibb Graves houses the President's Office, bursar and cashier on the main floor (second floor) among other important offices. Inaccessible to wheelchair handicap students were the second and third floors (see "Access"). 2011 will be the 20th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. "We didn't have to make a major renovation and financially we have not been able to install an elevator," said Meehan. Bibb Graves is a "historic" building. David Thompson agrees, "We have not been able to change old buildings. We have been focused on new projects. It comes back to priorities. The intent of the code vs. what you are economically able to do is a really difficult thing to do," said Thompson.

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Thursday March 25

- Domestic Violence Support Group, 1102 Houston Cole Library, 1:00-2:00 pm
- Calico WinterGuard (practice), TMB Auditorium, 5-9 pm
- Alabama State Treasurer - Kay Ivey, Leone Cole Auditorium, 6:00 pm

Saturday March 27

- Preview Day

Sunday March 28

- Music at the Victoria, Victoria Inn, Anniston, 3:00-4:30 pm
- ISO Soccer tournament, Jacksonville Community Center 2:00 p.m.

Monday March 29

- Silent Auction, International House, 9:00-5:00
- Roundhouse Recovery, Roundhouse, 8-9pm
- Kappa Mu Epsilon Installation, 1103A Library, 3:00 pm
- Speaker Ralph Nader, Leone Cole Auditorium, 7:00 pm

Tuesday March 30

- Silent Auction, International House, 9:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.

Wednesday March 31

- Don't Ya Wish Your Little Was Hot Like Mine, TMB Auditorium, 7:00-9:00 pm
- Vibe Party, International House Lobby, 9:00 p.m.
- Movie night, International House, 8:00 p.m.

accommodate those with disabilities. Standing in front of the Houston Cole Library on its eastern side, Julie Nix can see two ramps. One ramp is behind the air conditioner enclosure. It zig-zags down into steps. The other ramp is in front of the parking lot, and leads into a maze until it stops short of the library entrance. "When you're at the top and standing in the parking lot looking down, you cannot see the stairs at the end of the old ramp," said Nix.

During construction of the library in 1972, a ramp was built leading down the hill to the library entrance. The following year the Rehabilitation Act was passed. "The Rehabilitation Act is an architectural guideline for buildings," said Sesker.

"The first ramp exceeded the slope required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. It was too steep. During our major renovation we built a second ramp for individuals who are wheelchair handicapped," President Meehan said.

David Thompson, Assistant Director at the university's Physical Plant oversees construction projects. "Julie Nix sent me a memo this week.

In January, workers were hammering away at what was soon to be the new elevator at Bibb Graves Hall. The building has never had one. It is JSU's iconic theme structure. Clint Carlson from JSU's Administrative and Business Affairs office estimated the project to cost \$387,000. "The Alabama Public School and College Authority gave us the money for safety and security issues," Meehan said. "The lack of an elevator was a safety issue."

According to David Thompson, Assistant Director of the Physical Plant, "Close to half of the 56 buildings on campus have elevators," Thompson said. Now there is one in Bibb Graves.

During construction, before the elevator, Isaac Godwin said "I will be happy when they get an elevator at Bibb Graves. There are several offices I cannot access (see "Access") on the second and the third floor. I can call someone with one of those call boxes on the outside of Bibb Graves. If I need to handle business at the Police Department or Bibb Graves, I want to access the facility myself, cause if

what you are economically able to do is a really difficult thing to do," said Thompson.

The Planning and Reporting Information System Management (PRISM) is Jacksonville State University's planning system. "Everyone participates in the PRISM system. They put their desires in with long range strategic planning and we allocate our budget operation based on what we are able to do," said Meehan. Obtaining funds is difficult. "You would think everything would be accessible. These are tough times," said Thompson.

So, have universities across the country been surveyed as to which institutions are more or less accessible? "Not to my knowledge, no," Sesker said. "There have not been any surveys done detailing which institutions in the U.S. are more or less accessible."

Julie Nix, JSU's Director of Disability Services, is now planning such a survey. At DSS "We want to give a report of where the problems are," said Nix.

Consolidated Publishing Chair to Deliver Ayers Lecture

From Newswire

H. Brandt Ayers, chairman and publisher for Consolidated Publishing Company, will be the featured speaker at the Ayers Lecture at Jacksonville State University on March 25, 2010. The topic of his speech will be "50 Controversy-Free Years as an Alabama Journalist." The event begins at 1:30 p.m. on the eleventh floor of the Houston Cole Library and is free and open to the public.

The Harry M. & Edel Y. Ayers Lecture Series began in 1988 as collaboration between The Anniston Star and JSU. It is named in honor of Brandt Ayers' parents, who were past publishers of the Star. The series brings esteemed journalists from all over the world to discuss current media issues. Brandt Ayers' journalism career extends far beyond his position as chairman and publisher of the Star, "one of the best small newspapers in the United States," according to Time magazine. A graduate of the University of Alabama, Ayers served two years in the United States Navy before embarking on his career. Among his first

journalism assignments was that of a capitol and legislative reporter for the Raleigh Times in North Carolina. He was also a Washington correspondent for Southern newspapers in the early 1960s. During 1967-68 he was a Nieman Fellow at Harvard University, and in 1990, he was a Gannett Fellow at Columbia University. He was awarded the Doctorate of Humane Letters by the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 1996.

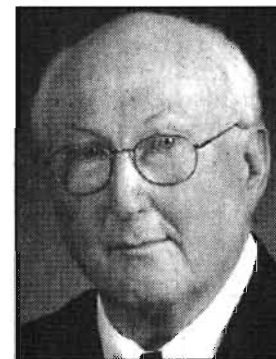
In 1998, Ayers was featured as the cover story of American Journalism Review magazine. In addition to his interest in the Star, Ayers is co-owner of The Daily Home of Talladega, The Jacksonville (Alabama) News, The Cleburne News, The Piedmont Journal and the St. Clair Times. Ayers also writes a syndicated column entitled "Out Here", carried by some thirty newspapers. His articles have appeared in the New York Times, the International Herald Tribune, the Boston Globe, the Philadelphia Inquirer, Southern Living, the Chicago Tribune and the Washington Post. He is a former commen-

tator for "Morning Edition," National Public Radio.

Ayers has received numerous awards from national and state civic, educational and social organizations, including the Alabama Academy of Honor, which recognizes the accomplishments of 100 living Alabamians. He has traveled widely in Asia, Europe, Africa and the Middle East on governmental and journalistic missions.

He is a trustee of the American Committee of the International Press Institute, Vienna, and on the advisory board of the Ditchley Foundation, London. He has lectured on foreign and domestic affairs at Harvard University, Princeton University, the University of Cape-town, Natal University, and the University of Nairobi. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations in New York, a trustee of the Southern Center for International Studies, and was appointed by President Carter to the Board of Foreign Scholarships (the International Fulbright Board.)

In 2002, Ayers fulfilled a longtime dream with his found-



Ayers

ing of World Affairs Journalism Fellowship Program, travel grants for reporting abroad by regional newspaper editors, and also in 2002 received the Tutwiler Distinguished Service Award from The University of Alabama. In December 2002 the Ayers Institute was founded to help outstanding journalism students from throughout the United States earn a master's degree while working at the Star.

In April 2003 he was given the Award for Editorial Leadership by the American Society of Newspaper Editors. That same year, he received the Alabama Press Association's Lifetime Achievement Award.

Seeing SPOTS

What JSU's BCM members did on their spring break

David Jennings
Consolidated News
Special to the Chanticleer

Every year, students at Jacksonville State University's Baptist Campus Ministries get a chance to give up some of their vacation time in order to take part in a mission project called SPOTS: Special Projects Other Than Summer (or spring break). SPOTS has been a BCM tradition longer than Gary Brittain, minister at the BCM, has worked there. But this year, he wanted to try something a little different – 2010 SPOTS would be a mystery mission tour.

Students signed up not knowing where they would be going but still willing to give up their time to help others. They had no idea what lied ahead of them: a 5 city, 1,000 mile trip that took 32 JSU students and leaders on one bus donated by First Baptist Jacksonville around the Southeast.

The tour started last Saturday, when the group found out that they were headed to Greenville, South Carolina to help a preacher who is starting a new church for the area.

"He asked for students to help with preparing and handing out gift bags to business owners and artist in the downtown Greenville area, a group they are targeting," said Brittain.

"My favorite part of the trip is when we stopped at Greenville," said Sachio Arai, a junior at JSU. "It was unique outreach for me, and I met many interesting people. I've never been to the city, but I really liked it."

"That night, we stayed in Augusta Road Baptist Church's gym and attended their Sunday morning worship," said Brittain.

The students would soon find out that the road was calling and that a new mission was ahead of them.

"After church we loaded up the bus and took off for Gatlinburg, Tennessee," said Brittain. "Monday morning the students worked with Smokey Mountain Resort Ministries. They got the chance to do a 'sensitivity walk' an activity that lasted an hour and a half."

"They asked the students to walk down the downtown area and get a feel for what it would be like to live and work there, to observe tourists and in places where they were not busy and to engage the local business owners and clerks in

with food and clothing assistance and things like that.

"The next morning the students got divided into four or five different groups to work on different parts of their ministry. Some sorted and hung clothes, others worked in the food pantry, another group worked on organizing donated furniture, the other group was mailing clothes and cardboard materials that were cast-off materials and another group sorted the books that have been donated. It gave them a look and feel of what this ministry does."

Many students said that this leg of the tour was their favorite because they got to connect with real people who needed help.

"The most enjoyable, for me, was when we were in Jefferson City," said Lauren Couch, a sophomore at JSU. "I enjoyed it, because it was an outreach center where very poor people came to get things that they could not afford. It wasn't easy getting out of my comfort zone, but I felt like I was impacting someone's life even if it was measuring out a pound of noodles or sorting out clothes. The people that worked at that center were very happy and seemed to love what they do; also you could see that they were doing this because they loved God. It was also a very great time for bonding with the people that went on the trip. I grew a whole lot closer to some people."

At the end of the day on Tuesday, the group had a 200-mile drive to Smyrna, Tennessee, to work with a group called Community Servants.

"After dinner we met up with the director and staff of Community Servants," said Brittain. "We also met up with another group of students from the University of Alabama-Huntsville and got to work with them. The next day they were hard at work painting, sorting clothes that were donated to give away to folks in the area, and others cleaned up the community by burning brush. Some even helped break up whole sidewalks so they can pour a new one. They did that in front of a couple of different apartments. The down and dirty kind of work."

While in Smyrna, the group of students got a chance to bond with the children there.

"Out of all the places we went Smyrna stood out to me the most," said Scotti Simpson. "The first hour we were there we attracted kids from all over the community.



FRONT-Left to Right: Amanda Barnett, Jessica Jennings, Kristen McGathy
MIDDLE-Left to Right: Sachio, Gretchen Glass, Natalie Reynolds, Julie Redmond, Elizabeth Stephenson, Lauren Couch, Jacqueline Agurie, Kayla Cromer, Lori Fincher, Jamie Demore, Meredith Seabolt
BACK-Left to Right-Jeremy, Ian Brittan, Andrew Morrow, Robert Brown, Logan Huggins, Jordan Flemming, Bryan Ayres, Kevin Browning, Curtis Holman, Matthew Parris, Lee Jackson, Drew Sprayberry, and Scotti Simpson.
(Not pictured Gary Brittan and Donna Brittan)

Colligate Consultant for Lifeway."

When their tour came to an end, more work was calling. Thursday evening the group arrived in Hartselle where they would work with Morgan Baptist Association.

"We did some projects with the team there," said Brittain. "Some put Easter Baskets together and others worked on gathering school supplies for things that they are doing at the center. Then, they did a prayer walk in the community. After spending the night at First Baptist Hartselle, we finally came back home."

So, why the change of format to the SPOTS trip? Even though the changes kept things interesting, Brittain said he hoped that the mystery mission tour gave students a new outlook on missions around the area.

"It added a little variety to the experience," said Brittain. "In putting this together, I quickly realized that instead of going one place and working all week, this year we did the tour which was more educational. We showed students different ways missions can be done. Look back at what we did: we were involved with a church clinic, missions at a resort setting, missions in a poverty setting, missions in

broad the different types of missions are. Like there are people in places in Jefferson City, Smyrna and others who really get their hands dirty. But also, there are other sides like the Lifeway Ministries we saw on Thursday. They were in huge immaculate buildings looking over Nashville. Both had different ways of doing their part for The Kingdom, and neither is more important than the other. It was just a huge reminder to me of how various missions can be."

"A lot of the trip was doing things that we wouldn't be able to see the direct effects of immediately. Maybe we'll never know exactly how or who we helped but just knowing that our actions was going for the good of others was enough for us."

"The impact will be seen in weeks and months to come," said Brittain.

One student felt that impact immediately. During the trip, Simpson felt a calling to take a bigger roll in ministry work.

"It was a week long venture I'll never forget," said Simpson. "God had been tugging at my heart for quite some time and the past week he spoke to me and told me I am to be a missionary for him. With this calling I plan to return to Smyrna this summer and work as a missionary."

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"They asked the students to walk down the downtown area and get a feel for what it would be like to live and work there, to observe tourists and in places where they were not busy and to engage the local business owners and clerks in a conversation and a lot of students did that. They prayed for those folks they encountered on the way."

After lunch they group headed to Jefferson City, Tennessee, an hour's drive away. There, the group got a chance to work with Appalachian Outreach.

"We got a late afternoon orientation there," said Brittain. "We worked with Appalachian Outreach, which started out as a home repair ministry. Now they deal

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"Out of all the places we went Smyrna stood out to me the most," said Scotti Simpson. "The first hour we were there we attracted kids from all over the community. We just played frisbee and had fellowship with them. That's what truly touched my heart."

The next morning the group toured Lifeway Christian Recourses, one of the world's largest providers of Christian products and services.

"The students learned some of the history of the publishing house and what they do," said Brittain. "We then had lunch with Linda Osborne, the National

together, I quickly realized that instead of going one place and working all week, this year we did the tour which was more educational. We showed students different ways missions can be done. Look back at what we did: we were involved with a church clinic, missions at a resort setting, missions in a poverty setting, missions in city and rural settings, and missions in and out of state. That was what we tried to do."

By talking to some of the students, you can tell that Brittain's goal was accomplished.

"The biggest thing that I saw was how multi-dimensional the church today is," said Logan Huggins, vice-president at the BCM. "I got just a small glimpse of how

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With so many other things they could be doing, the students chose to give. Why?

"The reason I gave up the week for this trip is because we are called to love each other and I wanted to do something productive during this trip," said Arai.

"I gave up my spring break, because Jesus Christ gave died for me and gave me the life that I have now," said Couch. "Why not give up one little bitty week for Him?"

Ralph Nader to visit JSU on March 29th

Consumer advocate, environmentalist, lawyer, author and four-time presidential candidate Ralph Nader will speak at Jacksonville State University on Monday, March 29 at 7 p.m. in the Leone Cole Auditorium.

Nader's talk for the evening is entitled "The Golden Rule or Rule by Gold? Subordinate Corporate Power to the Sovereignty of We the People."

Following the lecture, Nader will answer questions from the audience and sell and sign copies of his books, *The Seventeen Traditions* and *The Good Fight*. He will give away free copies of *Easy Ways to Take Back the Planet* by The Mission Collective with the purchase of his own titles.

Nader, a Harvard University educated lawyer who ran for president on the Green Party ticket in 1996 and 2000 and as an Independent in 2004 and 2008, was named by *The Atlantic* as one of the 100 most influential figures in American history. *Time* and *Life*

magazines also recognized him as one of the hundred most influential Americans of the Twentieth Century, and *Time* calls him the "U.S.'s toughest customer."

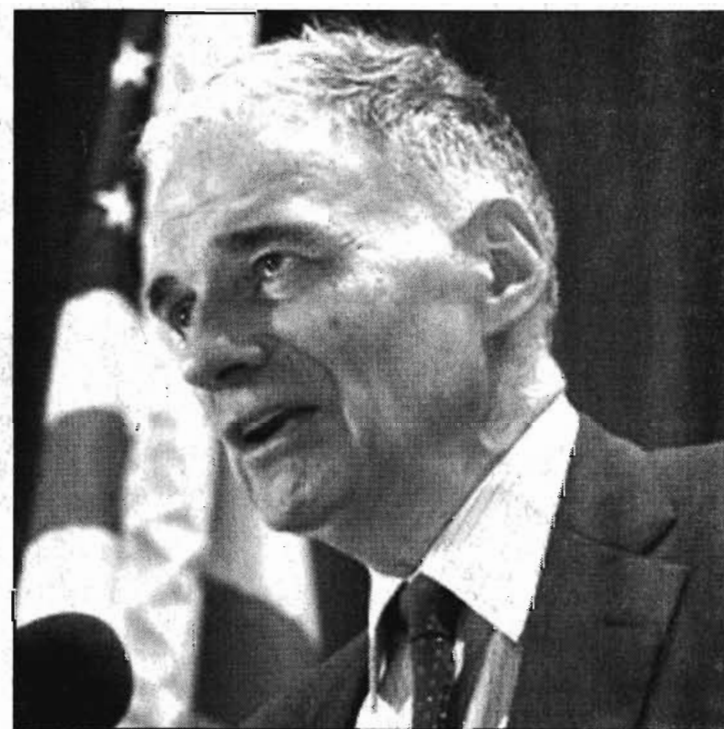
He has been instrumental in creating an effective national network of consumer advocates, citizen activists, and public interest lawyers and groups, and has been the catalyst for at least eight major federal consumer protection laws ranging from the motor vehicle safety laws to the Clean Air and Clean Water Acts. He helped create the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration. His 1965 book *Unsafe at Any Speed*, in which he took to task the auto industry for their negligence in the production of unsafe vehicles, prompted congressional hearings and stiffer safety laws, including

the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

During Nader's career as consumer advocate he founded many organizations including the Center for Study of Responsive Law, the Public Interest Research Group (PIRG), the Center for Auto Safety, Public Citizen, Clean Water Action Project, the Disability Rights Center, the Pension Rights Center, the Project for Corporate Responsibility and The Multinational Monitor (a monthly magazine). He continues to be an advocate of consumers' rights in seeking justice in court against wrongdoers in the areas of product liability, securities fraud, and medical negligence.

According to Nader's website, www.nader.org, when asked to define himself, Nader always responds, "Full-time citizen, the most important office in America for anyone to achieve."

Attendance at the March 29 lecture is free and open to the public.



Ralph Nader is set to speak this Monday at JSU. Photo credit: CC Nick Bygon

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Arts & Entertainment

Burton, Depp's humor not with "Alice In Wonderland"

By Logan Huggins
Special to the Chanticleer

Lewis Carroll's classic novels "Alice in Wonderland" and "Through the Looking Glass" (written in 1864 and 1865 respectively) have been adapted into literally hundreds of TV shows and movies. Some are considered classics, such as the 1951 animated Disney feature. Others, on the other hand, have been just awful.

Like the 1999 three-hour TV-special, which had Whoopi Goldberg as the Chesier Cat and Martin Sheen as the Mad Hatter. Geez, can you say half-off at the clearance bin?

Anyway, the latest take on Carroll's tale is Tim Burton's "Alice in Wonderland". Tim Burton has a long history of strange stories. "Edward Scissorhands", "Beetlejuice" and "Nightmare Before Christmas" are just a few of Burton's long list of offbeat creations.

When news first appeared that Burton would be visiting the imaginative world of Wonderland, it seemed like a match made in bizarre movie heaven. Adding the fact that Johnny Depp and Helena Bonham Carter (both of whom have worked with Burton several times) would both be star roles seemed like a sure shot. (Don't forget it's in 3-D!)

Well, I'm afraid it wasn't that smooth.

"Alice in Wonderland" starts

offÖ fine. Alice, now 19, falls into the rabbit hole (again) and begins her journey down memory lane.

After that, s o m e o n e switches the film to hyper-speed.

B- T h e movie's pace is incredibly f a s t .

It seemed that Burton intended to only skim across the high notes. This comes without much explanation or background for those of us who haven't seen or read earlier forms of "Alice in Wonderland." This gives us enough room to breathe but hardly enough time to sit back and take in what we're seeing.

For those of you who have been through Alice's story before, you might be right on track with this version. But as for me, a first time viewer, I was left wanting some more background. This version was only an hour and 45-minutes long; that's not much time to cram in two 19th-century novels.

Not only that, but it seemed that a lot of the film's comedy was quickly



rushed through. Ironically, one of the few characters that actually got a laugh or two the night I saw the film was the hyped-up, over-caffeinated March Hare. He seemed to embody the film's furiously quicktempo. Seriously, switch to decaf.

T h e y should have made it longer, more detailed.

That was the only main fault I had with "Alice". Beyond the wicked fast pace, everything else is pretty good.

The acting is a delight. Johnny Depp (The Mad Hatter) gives an outrageously fun performance, as expected. Helena Bonham Carter's performance (as the Red Queen) is shamelessly entertaining. Mia Wasikowska (Alice) gives us a performance both fresh and familiar. Also, Anne Hathaway was particularly good as the White Queen.

Another strong point was the film's art direction. As you may

know, Tim Burton is not one to settle for the normal locale. Therefore, the settings were truly extraordinary. Each scene was simultaneously bizarre and fantastic. My expectations were high, but they were firmly met.

Another crack I found in Alice's Wonderland, was the lack of humor. Obviously, the story is not a comedy. But when the movie did pause for some comedic relief; nothing really showed up. If you are a fan of Burton and Depp's quirky, dark sense of humor, you might find a few things amusing about "Alice." However, I'm still willing to say that even you hardcore-Burton/Depp fans out there will agree: this isn't their funniest work.

In the end, I left the theater disappointed. It's not that there wasn't enough for us to enjoy in "Alice in Wonderland," certainly not. The acting is great and the special effects and settings are fantastic. The film's pace is the guilty party here. It not only kills the film's sense of humor, but also steals a lot of the film's background information that would make "Alice in Wonderland" much easier to swallow the first time through.

If you are a fan of Burton, Depp and their creepy, dark sense of humor, go ahead, have a ball. However, if you are a newcomer to either Burton's creativity or to Carroll's "Wonderland", you might like to save your ten bucks and sit this one out.

Dear Julie

By Julie Skinner
Columnist

Dear Julie,

My girlfriend keeps saying that I'm her "soul mate." We've been together a little over a year, and I really care about her...but I'm not sure what a "soul mate" even is. I feel like she wants me to say it back to her, but I have no clue if that's how I really feel or not...because I don't even know what the hell a soul mate is. Can you explain?

- Souled Out

Souled Out,
Your guess is as good as mine, buddy! No, seriously...I hear the term thrown around all the time, and I can admit to using it before as well, but I'm not exactly sure how to explain what a soul mate really is.

Aunt Edna: Clean it up

Welcome back! I hope you all had a safe and fun spring break. During that week of freedom college kids from all

going to notice about you is your appearance. How you look is the first thing that catches someone's attention,

This also goes for doing your laundry. Even if you shower, your clothes can ruin it all by smelling bad. So keep

in your life. Basically, keep everything in moderation. Lastly, smile!

Now, lets say that your

Aunt Edna: Clean it up

Welcome back! I hope you all had a safe and fun spring break. During that week of freedom college kids from all over flock to popular beach spots to relax, forget about school and above all, party. During this time, it's common for students to meet new people, make new friends and in some instances: get it on with, what is in essence, a total stranger. That's blunt, but true.

Now, I covered how to handle a one-night stand in my last issue. This time around we are going to discuss issues dealing with attraction and the importance of grooming and staying clean.

It may sound shallow, but the first thing anyone is

going to notice about you is your appearance. How you look is the first thing that catches someone's attention, especially when it comes to sex. It's the one thing that initiates the entire process. Now, everyone is going to have their own opinion on what is attractive and sexy and what is not, but these are just few general points to help you with attracting a special someone.

It's simple really. First and foremost, shower daily and wear deodorant. I realize that sounds quite obvious but stay clean. It doesn't matter how great you look from across the room, giving off a bad scent can be a complete deal breaker.

This also goes for doing your laundry. Even if you shower, your clothes can ruin it all by smelling bad. So keep them washed and wear clean clothes, especially if you are trying to attract someone.

For men, long hair and beards are fine, but you don't want to look like a homeless man off the street. Keep it trimmed and neat.

Now, if everything on the outside is in good condition and you attract someone, the next step is your attitude. A bad attitude can ruin the whole thing, no matter how good you look. Be confident but not cocky. Be fun and funny but not goofy and childish. Be humble and modest, but don't talk about all the problems

in your life. Basically, keep everything in moderation. Lastly, smile!

Now, let's say that your attraction leads you back to the bedroom; there are still some things that can turn a person off. As I stated in my last article, be respectful and honest. Possibly the BIGGEST turn off of all time would be an STD. Even if you look good, smell good and have a great attitude, and STD can ruin everything. Protection is the basis to everything. So as I always say, protect yourself.

Here to help

Aunt Edna

and I can admit to using it before as well, but I'm not exactly sure how to explain what a soul mate really is. Since you asked me to define it, I'll do my best. I think a soul mate would be the person you connect with on a different level. It's a person who you understand really well, and often without even trying to. I think you can really only have one soul mate, and that person is obviously a very, very special person who you are connected with on a really deep and passionate level. Ummm, I could be way off. Using the line, "you're my soul mate" has always come across to me as being the most romantic thing you could say, but also the cheesiest. I mean, it doesn't really get any higher than that. So, I don't blame you for not jumping right into saying it...since you're unsure of what it actually means to you. Maybe you could ask your girlfriend why she thinks of you as her soul mate, so you can at least see how she feels about it. Then, maybe it will put things into better perspective for you!

Chicken Scratch

The last newspaper was...horrible.

Saw an ambulance getting towed over by the library. I guess they parked in a Gold spot, too...

Martha Stewart decorating tip: tire boots make great centerpieces to that collage of gold parking signs.

Nicholai James Black due June 10 2010!!!

WHY DO WE GET BLAMED FOR DIGGING IN THE TRASH

Oh yay, another SGA president! Lets see what all can get messed up this year!

The cleaning ladies over at Sparkman do such a good job that

I accidentally hit my head on one of the glass panes...

Hey soul sister, aint that mister, mister on the radio?

The lady gamecock softball team is pretty freaking awesome!! and sexy as hell!! i mean look at number 15!! Fresh to death!

The Chanty website needs some transformation.

(ED Note: Possibly coming up!)

Love the cleaning ladies at Fitz but....Could y'all pick up the trash cans when you are rolling it down the first floor waking me up at 7:00 a.m...Thanks, still love you though! :)

What is Bruce Lee's favorite drink?

Whhhhaatttaaa!

How hard is it to put at least one more crosswalk on 204? I'm tired of watching people risk their lives to get to school on time.

You should shop at GetCocky! It's on the square between Roma's and Java Jolt.

I wish the cute guy in my history class, whom I would totally make a move on, wasn't moving away.

I LOVE Keith Riley!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Coolest Phone Guy EVER!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

"I'm a gummy bear! Yes a gummy bear! Gummy! Gummy! Gummy! Gummy bear!"

I'm not racist (In fact I am a black male myself) but dang, all black women are absolutely

terrible drivers... seriously lol.

Evil villain quote of the week, "...you'll never survive my battleship cortet!"

Happy 3 year anniversary, Peter! I love you!

Blame it on the rain, the rain keeps falling.

Purple rain, purple rain. Purple rain, purple rain. Purple rain, purple rain. I only want to see you underneath the purple rain.

I'm not ready to come back to school. Spring break needs to be two weeks long.

How long before our Alabama politicians screw up the health care bill for us?

Opinion: What happened to the order of the Madness?

by Austin Faulkner
Sports Staff Writer

Ah March, the time where college basketball rises to the pinnacle of the sports world in the form of the NCAA Tournament. Rabid fans rush to fill out brackets hoping they have figured out the "mystical" formula that will earn them bragging rights until the next year. What is it that makes us as fans believe the tournament will simply conform to our simple predictions? It really doesn't matter what we believe the tournament usually seems to have a mind of its own as it decides who will stay and who will go. Take the Northern Iowa-Kansas fiasco for instance. Who in their right mind would have picked no-name Northern Iowa to take down powerhouse Kansas? Apparently, no one saw that one coming. I

while forward Wes Johnson hopes to help jump start the Orangemen into championship contentions by 50 percent from the floor and grabbing 8.5 boards per game. I picked Tennessee because they are an experienced squad led by guard Scotty Hopson who averages 12.5 points and big man Wayne Chism who is averaging 1.3 blocks per game along with a stout 12.3 points per game. To make it to the Final Four however, they must defeat a second-seeded Ohio State team. I look for Baylor to put away St. Mary's and meet up with Duke in the Elite Eight. Look for

LaceDarius Dunn, averaging 19.4 points per game, to carry the Bears past the Blue Devils to secure the final slot in the Final Four.

Talking to the Sports Editor, Haley

Gregg, she gave me her picks on who to watch in the women's tour-

Gamecocks Hold Off Owls For 7-6 Win

from jsugamecocksports.com

The Jacksonville State softball team held off a late Kennesaw State charge on Tuesday, when the Gamecocks escaped University Field with a 7-6 win over Kennesaw State.

The Gamecocks (10-11) used five extra base hits to take a 7-4 lead into the seventh, only to watch the Owls (13-11) hit the final two of their five solo home runs to pull to within one. Freshman Hilary Phillips came on to strike out the only batter she faced to earn her first career save.

Junior Sallie Beth Burch went 2-for-3 with a home run, an RBI and two runs scored for the Gamecock offense, while senior Chrissy O'Neal added a double, an RBI and two runs scored on her 2-for-3 outing. Seniors Hillary Downs and Nikki Prier and sophomore Tess Echols doubled to assist the JSU offensive attack.

Junior Ashley Eliasson was able to earn the win in the circle for the Gamecocks after surrendering six runs, four earned, on nine hits in 6.2 innings. She gave up five homers to the Owls offense, all solo, but Phillips was able to close the door on KSU in the seventh to preserve the win.

Ashley Burkett belted two of the Owls' home runs in going 3-for-4 to lead KSU's nine-hit attack. Klair Wells, Sharon Swanson and Jenna Closner each homered to account for the rest of their long balls.

Abbey Meixel was tagged with the loss for Kennesaw State after giving up six runs on six hits in just over four innings of work. Amanda Burns recorded the final five outs for the Owls, allowing a run on two hits in the process.

Closner's homer was the first of the afternoon and came in the top of the second to put Kennesaw State on the board first. Jax State plated four runs in the home half of the third, an inning that saw O'Neal single in a run and Downs double one in. A throwing error by center fielder Jensen Hackett and a sac fly from sophomore Meredith Sellers rounded out the scoring for JSU and gave the Gamecocks a 4-1 lead after the third.

The Owls rallied to tie it in the fifth, thanks to back-to-back solo bombs from Wells and Burkett and a run-scoring double by Closner the knotted the score at 4-4.

The Gamecocks answered quickly, getting an RBI double from Prier and an RBI single from sophomore Kaycee Crow that pushed them back ahead, 6-4. Burch led off the home half of the sixth with a solo shot that just cleared the wall down the left field line, her second round tripper of the year and one that proved to be the game winner.

Burkett and Swanson homered in the seventh to cut the JSU lead to 7-6 and chase Eliasson, making way for Phillips to come on and finish it off.



Highlights of the week

have picked
no-name
Northern
Iowa to
take down
powerhouse Kansas? Apparently,
no one saw that one coming. I
mean those who watched the game
probably still don't believe it.

Though this year's bracket has
been ruined completely, I have
picked a final four from what re-
mains of the once stable tourna-
ment. My picks for the Final Four
are first-seeded Kentucky and Syr-
acuse and surprises sixth-seeded
Tennessee and third-seeded Bay-
lor. Both Kentucky and Syracuse
ended the season on top of their
respective conferences and both
have four starters with strong sta-
tistics and benches that are deep in
talent. Kentucky is led by fresh-
man point guard John Wall who
is averaging 16.8 points a game

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Gregg, she gave me her picks on
who to watch in the women's tour-
nament. She believes that the UConn
Huskies will make their Final
Four. She also believes that Ten-
nessee, Stanford and Notre Dame
will secure spots without difficul-
ty, as well. Haley also mentioned
to watch Duke, Baylor, Vanderbilt
and Nebraska for potential upsets.
Some players worth watching that
she mentioned were Notre Dame's
Ashley Barlow, Stanford's Jayne
Appel, Tennessee's Taber Spani
and well UConn's whole team.

Though I feel pretty confident
about my picks, you can never tell
who will win and who will lose.
March Madness is aptly named
and continues to prove why it de-
serves such a title.

Chicken Scratch

I've been around the world and
found that only stupid people
are breeding. The cretins are
cloning and feeding, and I don't
even own a TV.

Why do supervisors get to drive
company truck to the track on
their lunch break.

I don't care if you are on an
academic scholarship... You're
still an idiot!!!

Java Jolt is now staying open
until 9 pm! Hooray!

If you see the Gamecock
Express waiting because you
are walking toward it, PLEASE
wave it on, so the driver will
know that you do NOT plan on
riding it! Continued:

- I waited behind the bus that

was stopped waiting on a girl
that came out of the building.
She walked up toward the bus
and when she came close, she
then turned on the sidewalk and
walked on... UGGGG!

Matt Tyson is a boss and
sexy

Lee Law is amazing and
SINGLE!

Mary Me Tina Deshotels -
from Matt Tyson :)

How much chuck would a
wood chuck chuck if a wood
chuck could chuck wood

315 is WHERE THE PARTY
IS AT!!! (note: Spring
Break)

March Madness!!!

If I took all the 'J's out of the
keyboards in the computer
lab...nobody would be
able to access their email
accounts...great idea! :)

COCKY!

Highlights of the week

- Todd Cunningham went 3-for-4 and Sam Eberle drove in a pair of runs as Jacksonville State rallied for a 7-3 win over Troy at Rudy Abbott Field.

- The Jacksonville State softball team held off a late Kennesaw State charge, when the Gamecocks escaped University Field with a 7-6 win over Kennesaw State.

- Jacksonville State carded a final round 296 to finish with a 17-over par 593 to win the Grub Mart-Young Oil Intercollegiate at the Par 72, 6,949 yards Silver Lakes Golf Course on the Robert Trent Golf Trail.

- Jacksonville State's Hunter Rivers has been named the Ohio Valley Conference Pitcher of the Week.

- Austin Lucas allowed just one hit in five innings on the mound as Jacksonville State claimed a 2-0 win over Miami (Ohio) to win the series in a rain shortened game on Sunday. The game was called after a two hour rain delay in the bottom of the fifth inning, with the Gamecocks holding the lead.

- Jacksonville State junior Trenton Marshall was named to the All-District 19 First Team on Tuesday by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) for his efforts in his first season with the Gamecocks.

- Jacksonville State shot the low round of the day and rallied from nine shots back to claim the team championship at the Samford Women's Intercollegiate, played at the par-72, 5,880 yard Limestone Springs Golf Course.

- Senior Bert Smith extended his hitting streak to 11 games with a pair of hits and took a step closer to becoming the school's all-time hits leader as Jacksonville State claimed a 17-9 win over Eastern Michigan to win the series at Rudy Abbott Field

Sports

Keep on playing

Intramural sports are a great way to continue playing competitive sports after high school and stay in shape

by Kevin Brant
Staff Writer

Growing up most students probably played on some sort of athletic team representing a high school. They played their sport, and the inevitable happened - they graduated from high school.

Some people want to continue to play sports but only for recreation purposes. The recreation is either just for fun or to stay in shape. The competitive edge does not leave that easy.

So, what can one do to play sports while still in college? The answer is to get involved in intramural sports.

"It's a recreational program designed for students to continue playing sports and games they enjoyed in high school or introduce sports they may not have participated in," said Alan Gilbert, the coordinator of intramural sports programming at Jacksonville State University. "It helps to keep people from having a sedentary lifestyle and to improve overall fitness."

JSU currently offers opportunities for students to play in a variety of intramural sports throughout the school year. The program offers the following sports: badminton, basketball, beach volleyball, bowling, dodge ball, flag football, golf, inter-tube water polo, putt-putt golf, racquetball, soccer, tennis, ultimate frisbee, volleyball, and whiffleball. Currently, softball and team tennis are the intramural sports being played now.

Getting involved in intramural sports is pretty easy.

"Get a group of your friends together that want to play the

particular sport go to Stephenson Hall and fill out an entry form," said Gilbert.

According to Gilbert, Intramural sports have been going on at JSU for at least 30 plus years. In 1984, The Department of Recreational Sports was formed with the sole purpose of promoting intramural sports. Before that, intramural sports went on but not in the same organizational way it is done now.

In order to participate in intramural sports there is one qualification that is required: you have to be a JSU student with at least one hour of enrolled credit or you can be a faculty member or staff member.

Alumni are not allowed to play intramural sports. One can play intramural sports while working for their bachelors, masters degrees or in some form affiliated with taking university classes as a student.

Generally there are no costs to participate in intramural sports, but you may have to pay for intramural bowling or intramural golf, since those take place at other places of business. Other than that, it is free to participate. Intramural golf and bowling usually are at a pretty low price so it is inexpensive. A good example of this is at Silver Lakes Golf Course, they will let you play 18 holes and be able to use a golf cart for \$20. Normal price for all others would be about \$60.

Some intramural sports, the game equipment is provided but in some such as flag football or softball, teams have to furnish their own balls.

In intramural sports, there is one thing that is emphasized a lot

more than other things.

"We like to emphasize sportsmanship within our department," Gilbert said. "We want people to be able to compete and have fun and we are not a win at all costs league. We hold the athletes accountable for how they act."

A lot of the sports are played under NCAA rules, but some are amended because they are not necessary. A good example of this is in basketball a 35 second shot clock is used. In intramural basketball, the shot clock is not used.

The National Intramural Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA) governs the JSU intramural program, and the sports are chosen based on what is popular nationally at other colleges like football and basketball. Also, they put emphasis on what is called lifetime sports, which are sports that you may continue playing well after your college years.

The decision making process on who plays who and when is usually done on a random basis. However, certain other factors may come into play. Generally, the Greeks like to play each other, and other factors can come into play but it is a general selection process.

Intramural sports are played during the fall and spring semesters. Usually they don't have any intramural sports during the summer

According to Gilbert, on average, 1,000- 1500 students play intramural sports every year.

For more information on intramural sports you can contact Alan Gilbert at agilbert@jsu.edu or go online at www.jsu.edu/recsports.

Chicken Scratch

What people don't realize is that the healthcare plan still has to be paid for... by the tax payers. nothing in this world is free.

Ok, its seems as though I lost my mind. It weighs about 1,600-1,700 grams, kind of grey, a little soft, feels alot like a sponge. If anyone finds it please drop it off at the hospital. I mean I have a spare, but its pink and clashes with the shirt.

Let's have some fun with this. 5k run, no water, no breaks, the more they run the more we pay per mile. It ends when the last runner collapses.

Happy One year and Two months Cookie Dough:) I love you soooo much!!! From Love Cookie:) P.S. You are the best!

JSU needs some more school spirit.. GAHLEE! Shall we say lack of school pride?!?!?

So, every one should listen to Hoodtalk radio every Friday 11-1 on 92J/91.9 on your radio oh yea and house radio too!!

I VO Sparkman is the place to be!! Best resident hall...just saying...lol

Like Kurasawa I make mad films. OK, I don't make films. But if I did they'd have a Samurai.

ONLY 4 more weeks of classes, then exams, then GRADUATION!!! - ONLY 3 more Mondays left this semester! It's closer than it seems!

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Visit Java Jolt!

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Big shout out to Amanda. Chicken Scratch loves you too. And happy birthday!!!

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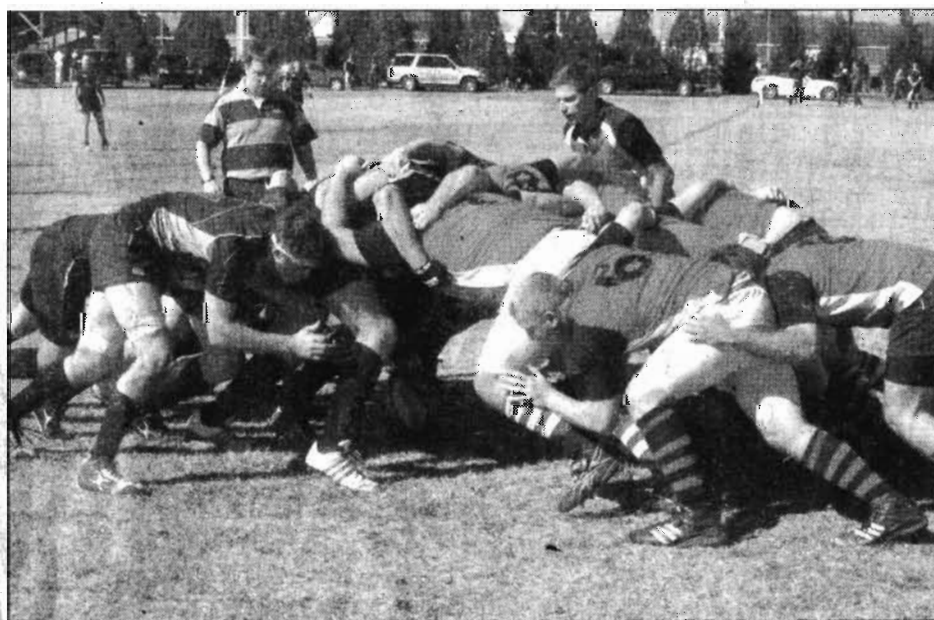
JSU Cross Country Earns USATFCCCA Academic Honor

from jsugamecocksports.com

The Jacksonville State women's cross country team earned the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association Academic All-American honors for the 2009 season.

JSU had a 3.23 cumulative GPA and were one of four schools in the state of Alabama to earn the distinction. Auburn edged JSU with a 3.28 GPA while Samford had a 3.20 and Troy University with a 3.08. The Gamecocks ranked 81st nationally out of 347 NCAA Division I program.

Sports photo of the week



JSU rugby team vs. Lee University. The Gamecocks lost 27 - 22. Photo by Kevin Ebrant / The Chanticleer

Gamecocks Claim Grub Mart-Young Oil Intercollegiate



**Daniel Glidwell
fired a tournament
low 69**

from jsugamecocksports.com

Jacksonville State carded a final round 296 to finish with a 17-over par 593 to win the Grub Mart-Young Oil Intercollegiate on Tuesday at the Par 72, 6,949 yards Silver Lakes Golf Course on the Robert Trent Golf Trail.

The Gamecocks won their sixth overall Grub Mart-Young Oil Intercollegiate title, claiming the top spot for the first time since 2008.

Gonzalo Berlin finished second, shooting a 77 on the final 18 holes to finish with a 148 and lead four JSU players in the top 10.

Daniel Glidwell fired a tournament low round of 69 to finish tied for third with a 149 (80-69-149). Andres Schonabaum had a 74 to finish seventh with a 150 (76-74-150) and Tom Robson was tied for 10th with a final round 76 for a 152 (76-76-152). Garrett Burgess had tough day with a final round 86 to finish 33rd with a 160 (74-86-160).

Nathan Bennett (80-72-152) turned in an even-par 72 to tie Robson for 10th while Michael Watson (80-73-153) tied for 14th and Alfonso Otoy (83-73-156) tied for 26th to round out the JSU individuals.

Stetson's Sam Ryder shot a one-under par 71 to earn medalist honors with a 36-hole total of 144 and lead the Hatters (311-291-602) to a second place finish with a team aggregate score of 602.

Armstrong Atlantic (309-303-612) was third with a 612 followed by first round leader St. John's (296-320-616), SIU Edwardsville (303-314-617), and Morehead State (316-303-619).

Austin Peay (316-313-629) and Tennessee Tech (322-307-629) tied for seventh. UT Martin (319-315-634) was ninth and Lewis University (336-306-642) was 10th.

Jacksonville State returns to the links on April 13-14 playing in the ASU Indian Classic at Ridge Point Country Club in Jonesboro, Ark.